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<b>Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>	<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/601,946	ADAMS ET AL.	
	<b>Examiner</b>	<b>Art Unit</b>	
	Matthew J. Smith	3672	

**All Participants:**

**Status of Application:** Final rejection

(1) Matthew J. Smith, examiner.

(3) \_\_\_\_\_.

(2) Anthony Matheny, attorney.

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**Date of Interview:** 10 November 2005

**Time:** 11:45a E

**Type of Interview:**

- ☒ Telephonic  
☐ Video Conference  
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Part I.**

Rejection(s) discussed:

*35 U.S.C. 103 rejection*

Claims discussed:

*21-31*

Prior art documents discussed:

*Herd et al 3974875; Reynolds 6530430*

**Part II.**

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

*See Continuation Sheet*

**Part III.**

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.  
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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 (Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Mr. Matheny contacted examiner Smith on 8 Nov. Examiner Smith responded 9 Nov. and discussed the rejection motivation to combine, i.e., the question of admitted prior art. After further review, the examiner contacted Mr. Matheny on Nov. 10 and concurred the motivation to combine is considered hindsight and no other motivation to combine is found in Reynolds. At this point, the claims may be considered objected to, but the examiner noted an updated search and a peer review have not been completed..